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Attorney Docket No. 26274

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

FRANCHI et al.

Serial No.: 10/506,407

Group Art Unit: 1617

Filed: September 1, 2004

Examiner: K. D. Carter

For: **COSMETIC USE OF PHYTOSPHINGOSINE AS A SLIMMING AGENT  
AND COSMETIC COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING PHYTOSPHINGOSINE**

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED SEPTEMBER 17, 2007**

MAIL STOP AF  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action dated September 14, 2007. The three month shortened statutory period for response expired on December 14, 2007. Therefore, a Request for a two month extension of time is attached hereto, thereby extending the period for response until February 14, 2008. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Please amend the application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**